Preparing for Memorial Day Weekend 2010

Memorial Day Weekend traditionally kicks off the summer season, and the Kentucky State Parks are ready for you! Here are just a few of the things you can do while you're here:

- Swimming
- Water Games at the Pools
- Boating
- Camping
- Golf
- Miniature Golf

- Crafts
- Hiking
- Nature Watching
- Dining
- Horseback Riding
- Live Animal Programs

Daily recreational activities are available in resorts and select recreational parks. Click on the 'Programs' button on the home page of participating parks to view a schedule

When Do the Pools Open?

We get this question asked often. **Swimming Pools are scheduled to be open Memorial Day weekend.** For the best experience, we recommend you call ahead to the specific park you plan to visit to check on the pool's status. Unforeseen maintenance and/or lifeguard availability circumstances occasionally arise that may create possible delays in opening.

Special Events

Virtually All Kentucky State Parks have special events for their guests and visitors. Here are a few parks with special Memorial Weekend plans waiting for you:

Memorial Day Weekend

Location: Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park will begin offering daily nature & recreation activities Friday night May 28. Find out what new activities are available at Pennyrile. From Memorial Day to Labor Day enjoy four or more programs daily, six days a week! Activities include, but are not limited to: junior naturalist programs, guided nature hikes, story telling, campfire programs, sports activities, and arts and crafts.

Home Page: Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park

Contact: rebeccae.clark@ky.gov

Memorial Day Weekend

Location: General Burnside State Park

Come join us at the recreation yard for a weekend full of fun. There will be games

for all ages.

Home Page: General Burnside State Park

Contact: <u>burnsideisland@ky.gov</u>

Play It Again Concert Series -- May 29 Location: General Butler State Resort Park

Kevin Stonerock - is a melding of folk, roots country and rock with straightforward honesty. His 1978 first solo album, Day Before Tomorrow, on 700 West Records racked up respectable sales & overseas airplay. Guitar Player magazine has deemed Kevin's guitar work "strong and inspired". To date, Stonerock has five solo releases. His latest release, Land of a Thousand Smiles, on Two Moon

Records. Held at the Butler-Turpin State Historic House.

Start Time: 7:00 P.M. **End Time:** 9:30 P.M. **Home Page:** <u>General Butler State Resort Park</u>

Contact: EvelynM.Welch@ky.gov

Spring Craft Festival - May 29-30

Location: Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park

An outdoor-juried craft show located on a point over looking beautiful Kentucky Lake. The show features handcrafted items crafted by artists from Kentucky and neighboring states. Artist demonstrations and traditional Kentucky festival food mark this weekend "Made in Kentucky".

Start Time: 9:00 A.M. End Time: 5:00 P.M.

Home Page: Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park

Contact: Anthony.Lawrence@ky.gov

Leave No Trace Awareness Training Workshop - May 29 Location: Pine Mountain State Resort Park

This 1-hour program offered by the park's Naturalist is designed for educators, children, college students, Girl Scouts, outdoor professionals, Boy Scouts, trail crews, hiking club members, and others interested in Leave No Trace (LNT) skills and ethics. Pre-registration is required. To register, contact Naturalist, Dean Henson at Dean.Henson@ky.gov or by phone at (606) 337-3066.

Start Time: 10:00 A.M. **End Time:** 11:00 A.M. **Home Page:** Pine Mountain State Resort Park

Contact: Dean.Henson@ky.gov

Atlatl Demonstration - May 31 Location: Big Bone Lick State Park

The spear and atlatl have been primary weapons for thousands of years, and are still being used even in modern times. Join the park naturalist at the atlatl field to learn and experience first hand the grace and power of these two weapons that would end up shaping human culture. This is a free event and no registration is required.

Start Time: Noon **End Time:** 2:30 P.M. **Home Page:** Big Bone Lick State Park

Jam Session -- May 31

Location: Cumberland Falls State Resort Park

All musicians are invited to our "Open Mike" jam session from 6:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. inside Dupont Lodge. Come early and enjoy a country buffet at Riverview Restaurant inside Dupont Lodge. If you are not a musician, come and enjoy our local talent and fine country cuisine.

Start Time: 6:30 P.M. End Time: 9:30 P.M. Home Page: <u>Cumberland Falls State Resort Park</u>

Contact: Steve.Gilbert@ky.gov

For more information, go to www.Parks.KY.Gov or call 1-800-255-PARK